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Dayan: Russia will not attack

SCARED SADAT SPURNS NEW MOSCOW INVITATION

Defense Minister says Israel not committed to any withdrawal

NOT BOUND BY ROGERS PLAN

By the CJN Diplomatic Editor

Mahmoud Riad, the Foreign Minister of Egypt–not President Anwar Sadat–will ratify the new, much-publicized Soviet-UAR pact, Mr. Riad is going to Moscow next week where the treaty will be ratified on the 29th June.

● In Jerusalem, it was noted that Sadat's non-presence in the Soviet capital on the day of the ratification of the treaty may have some political implications. One spokesman for the Israeli government said, "It's very significant".

PUTSCH POSSIBLE

According to some diplomatic observers in Cairo, the reason for Sadat's refusal to go to Moscow is the continuous pressure from his antagonist and the fear that a 'putsch' may materialize during his absence.

● Another explanation for this unusual decision by Egypt's president is, according to Cairo observers, a tremendous buildup of opposition to this treaty among intellectuals and those who would prefer a dialogue with the United States.

● Agence France-Presse reports from Cairo that those demanding contact with the United States and an understanding with Washington have become very influential, even in the army, while they fear the implicatons of the fifteen-year friendship treaty with Moscow. The official French news agency notes that Sadat's most recent public speeches have been apologetic rather than offensive with regard to the United States. The same agency reports that Sadat cannot go to Moscow because of the anti-Soviet atmosphere inside Egypt. "A Moscow trip would confirm that he has sold himelf to the Russians," Agence France-Presse concludes.

NEW WAR POSSIBLE: DAYAN

● In Tel Aviv, Israeli Defense Minister Moshe Dayan stated that he fears a resumption of war within the next few months unless there will be an earnest renewal of negotiations with Egypt. According to Mr. Dayan, indirect talks between Egypt and Israel have reached a stalemate at this moment. At the same time Dayan remarked that the internal problems of Egypt may influence Sadat's decision–if he is a free agent–not to resume attacks against the Jewish state. "The danger from Cairo persists," he continued, "because of the Russian deliveries of arms which create among Egyptians the illusion of grandeur and power."

He also stressed the fact that there will be war only if Egypt resorts to belligerency.

EGYPT'S ILLUSION

Concerning Israel's retreat from newly-conquered territories, Dayan reiterated his point: any agreement must clearly define Egypt's commitment not to transport armies across the Canal.

"Egypt is under the illusion that a partial withdrawal leading to the reopening of the Suez Canal is a prelude toward total withdrawal from Sinai. We made it clear that this is not so. If anyone thinks that following partial withdrawal, Israel would retreat completely, under American or Soviet pressure–it is a very grave error of judgment."

THE POWER IS THE U.S.

Talking about the Rogers mission to Egypt, Mr. Dayan said that the ceasefire in the area is not the result of American intervention or pressure upon Egypt but rather because of Egypt's continuous losses in its confrontations with Israel. The Americans only exploited this feeling of depression among Egyptian leaders. Despite all appearances, it is still the United States that runs the show in the Eastern Mediterranean. It is not the Security Council; it is not the Soviet Union; it is not the Secretary-General of the United Nations; it is not the Big Four; it is not Jarring,–the decision is up to the Americans.

NO WAR PLANS

Israel's Defense Minister then denied that he had ever stated it was Israel's plan to cross the Canal and invade Cairo. What he meant was that should the Jewish state come under attack, Israel will be forced to occupy further territory, reluctantly, because Jerusalem is determined to win any future war.

"It is not our task to occupy Egypt, to destroy the Egyptian army, to conquer Cairo, to establish a satellite government there: this is not the road to peace with the Egyptian people. The Jews have no such intentions," Dayan continued, "they know what they are fighting for."

Another statement by Dayan was that Israel never committed itself to withdrawal from any territory, in advance of concrete negotiations. "We never said such a thing to anyone," Dayan repeated.

RUSSIAN RULE LIMITED

Concerning Soviet Russia, Dayan said he firmly believes the Soviet Union would never organizae a direct military attack against Israel or participate in a campaign to force the Jewish state to evacuate Sinai.

● In the meantime, reports from Amman indicate that the confrontation between the Palestinian guerillas and the King has begun in earnest. The Arab terrorists openly defy the King and announce they will fight to eliminate the present regime. However, the army is in full control there. All impartial observers report that the Arab terrorist movement has diminished both in stature and in effectiveness.

ISRAEL'S ECONOMIC STRIFE

MRS. MEIR TAKES TOUGH STAND

While headlines abroad are featuring Israel's external activities and diplomatic manoeuvers in her efforts to achieve an accommodation with the Arabs, the Israelis are more concerned about serious internal economic convulsions.

According to reports from the Prime Minister's office in this capital, Golda Meir herself described the situation as very serious because of labor trouble. Israel suffers from inflation and related ills which now plague more affluent countries.

Only this week's intervention by the courts -- an action opposed by the leftist Mapam party and some leaders of the powerful Histadrut trade unions -- prevented workers in vital industries from continuing dangerous strikes.

Strikes had begun in hospitals, electrical works and other public services. The government had to intervene through court injunctions.

Mr. Ben Aharon, the Secretary-General of the Histadrut, the trade union colossus, openly stated his opposition to the Government's anti-inflation policies which affect the workers, according to him. However, Golda Meir and Minister of Finance Pinhas Sapir, have convinced the Cabinet that any substantial salary raises would undermine the economy of Israel.

This policy, and the resulting unrest throughout the country, have found an echo in the deliberations of the World Zionist Actions Committee now meeting in Israel. Zionist leaders from abroad and Jewish Agency officials have now taken a second look at the other Israel: the Israel where people need a substantial raise in their income in order to be able to live decently.

Employees are openly defying the government measures. In one town, Ashdod, even policemen declared a strike, but all workers had to return to work because of a court order invoking emergency regulations.

Mrs. Meir's tough attitude is opposed by the Marxist Mapam party which is a part of the government coalition.

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JOINT CHIEFS, FBI, CIA, ARE MEETING

...EN. ROARKE IN ATTENDANCE

By JOHN ROTHSCHILD

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RUSSIAN NAVY NOW SPOTTED HEADING FOR EAST COAST

OFFICIAL REPORTS INDICATE POSITION OF FLOTILLA OFF NEWFOUNDLAND

Task Force Consists of 22 Soviet Naval Warships Including 4 Polaris-Type Missile Carriers

ISRAELI REACTOR SEEN DESTROYED

CIA CONFIRMS REPORT

LARGE FIRES NOW OVER A TWO SQUARE MILE AREA.

Entire Area Cordoned Off by the Military

OVER THOUSAND DEAD

Israeli Cabinet is Now Meeting in the Knesset

By PAUL HAUSDORFF

TEL AVIV, Sept. 10 - According to reports received here today, the Israeli Atomic Research facility at Beersheeba in the Negev was totally destroyed, and large fires are still burning over a wide area. Of seven buildings, only part of one will remain...

PRESIDENT STARK CALLS EMERGENCY SESSION OF NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Now in Session at White House

SEC. OF DEFENSE CLIFFORD ERSKINE DIES SUDDENLY AT PENTAGON

U.S.–SOVIET OFFICIALS MEETING IN GENEVA

EAST SAYS NO CAUSE FOR ALARM

SITE OF ISRAELI BLAST

WARNS RUSSIAN BUILDUP IN EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN DIRECTED AT U.S.–Dummy front page of "Newspaper" announcing end of America.

This gloomy fantasy appeared in a recent fiction work by William Craig, warning Washington of destruction unless Moscow's advance in Egyptian disguise is halted.

(Read editorial, page 4: RUSSIA, PUZZLE WRAPPED IN RIDDLE)

CANADA-ISRAEL 5 YEAR TRADE PLAN

J. J. Graham, Director of Marketing, Ontario Department of Trade and Development, has just returned from Israel where he participated at the International Trade Fair Technology '71 Tel Aviv, Israel, last week, exploring commerical opportunities for more Canadian trade with Israel.

Mr. Graham said it is evident from contacts in Israel that current recommendations of the Israel Economic Planning Authority point to significant growth in the industrial and scientific equipment market in the next five years. Estimates show that some one and a half billion Canadian dollars will be expended to increase industrial capacity in Israel during this period.

James J. Graham

CLOSE RELATIONSHIP

Canadians generally enjoy a very close relationship with the public and the private sectors of this expanding market. Our present trade of $17,000,000 could be expanded appreciably with aggressive selling by Canadian suppliers.

Some categories of special interest would be as follows:

Israel Exports to Canada: Citrus products, cutting tools, glass working equipment, electronic instrumentation, metering devices, special foods, giftware, small gass turbines, and mosaics.

Canada Exports to Israel: Industrial equipment of all kinds, automotive parts, transportation and communication equipment, building materials, engineering and production skills, joint ventures and food products.

Mr. James J. Graham, met with Minister of Trade and Finance, Mr. P. Sapir, Senior Government Officals, and many leading Industrial and businessmen who are interested to do business with Canada.

JOINT VENTURES

Prior to Mr. Graham's visit to Israel, a conference took place under the auspices of the Ontario Government Department of Trade and Development on establishing licensing and joint ventures and Branch Plants abroad.

Mr. Graham was in charge of this conference, and Israel was mentioned on several occasions during the conference, as being a good country to establish Branch Plants and Licensing Agreements.

Allan Grossman who is Minister of Trade and Development Ontario Government, opened the conference and also arranged for Mr. Graham to visit Israel on his behalf, and discuss Trade between Israel and Canada.

Allan Grossman
Ontario Minister for
Trade and Development

Mr. Graham gave a reception at the Sheraton Hotel in Tel Aviv, attended by a large number of top Government officials, businessmen, bankers and others, and a film on Ontario Today was shown, which made a deep impression on all present.

RABBI PIRON ISRAEL'S NEW SENIOR CHAPLAIN

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - A Vienna-born graduate of London University who spent his entire professional career in the Israeli Army chaplaincy service, has been named Chief Rabbi of the Israel Defense Forces. He is Rabbi Brigadier-General Mordecai Piron, deputy for many years to Rabbi Shlomo Goren, the outgoing Chief Chaplain.

RABBI GOREN

RABBI PIRON

Rabbi Goren was installed last week as the new Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv. He was Senior Army Chaplain since the establishment of the State in 1948.

Born in 1921, Rabbi Piron emigrated to Palestine in 1938. He received his semicha from the Rav Kook Yeshiva in Jerusalem and then went on to study Jewish History and Talmud at the Hebrew University. He subsequently took a master's degree in humanities at London University. He joined the Army Rabbinate in 1948.

The author of several books on Jewish studies, Rabbi Piron has been described as "a religious pragmatist, unbending in his defense of the halacha but humane in interpreting its spirit".

DURING STATE VISIT TO EGYPT.–King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, left, with President Anwar el-Sadat during talks at Kubbeh Republican Palace in Cairo. The King arrived Saturday for an eight-day state visit to discuss the Arab-Israeli situation.

Comment on Current by M.J. NURENBERGER

Sudan-The Arab Auschwitz

Even in misfortune, fortunes vary. Take for example the case of the Black Sudanese: three million people, in one of the potentially richest countries in Africa, who have been persecuted, oppressed and, many of them exterminated in the most savage manner; yet their plight has been ignored by world opinion.

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A few years ago, when I published the first report about this genocide practised by an Arab government, the facts, now confirmed beyond any doubt, were dismissed as pure phantasy.

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At that time, on a visit to Paris, I was approached on the Left Bank by a few Sudanese students and other Black intellectuals, and was asked to alarm public opinion about this tragedy which threatens to generate into a calamity, comparable only to Hitler's extermination of European Jewry.

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I kept my word; I wrote a story, the unbelievable story. Yet, a journalist can only write and publish, if possible.

He is not a politicai nor a promoter of social

He is not a politician nor a promoter of social movements; nor has he the organizational talent required in the defense of these unhappy millions.

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At the time I did not blame even those in our community who received the news with a feeling of unbelief; it is difficult to accept the fact that a government of a country, a member of the United Nations, would stoop to such Nazi-like practices. The facts, however, are that in the last fifteen years or so, especially since Sudan has become independent from Britain, and the Arab majority took over exclusive rule through a dictatorial regime, the oppression of the three million minority, mostly Christian, in the South became the policy of the Khartoum ally of Egypt.

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I recall a very little-noticed episode at the Nuremberg trials, in 1945. I listened attentively to one of the prosecutors telling the Tribunal that during the liquidation period of Polish Jewry, Hans Frank, Hitler's governor-general in Poland, had refused to deny foreign reports about the horrors of Auschwitz and Maidanek. In a communication to Hitler, Frank said:

"The operations conducted by us in Poland are so unbelievable that they do not require any démenti: no one will believe it anyway."

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The rulers in Khartoum apparently have learned this lesson from the Nazis. Why deny publicly something which is difficult to accept?

Once you say that *a million* Black Sudanese were killed in cold blood by their Arab Moslem masters, the average person will reject such an accusation as propaganda.

As in the calamity that extinguished the Jewish communities of Europe, it is difficult optically to behold *one million* killed. One can visualize the killing of one or ten or fifty people. However, when you talk about *a million* or *six million*, the confusion leads directly to doubt . . . the murderers become "invisible" to the human eye.

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In the case of the Black Sudanese, the rulers in Khartoum rely upon the perfect lying machinery of the Arab League which has been successful in disseminating the most fantastic slanders against Israel.

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The Sudanese know quite well that they will always find at the United Nations those willing to attack Greece, the United States,–even India. Yet when Black Africans are affected, any alleged crimes will be classified as an *internal matter* of the *lawful* government of Khartoum. Who is going to add another Arab problem in Africa to the present Middle East mêlée?

These tyrants also are aware of the fact that most Black African countries, who have been receiving generous help from Israel, are being blackmailed by the militarily more powerful Arab nations not to become too much involved in the cause of the Christian Sudanese. Thus, the first million perished.

Still the battle continues; the revolt of the Black Sudanese continues. They now control one third of the country in an uprising which should arouse the admiration of every civilized human in the world.

The facts finally, are becoming less and less unbelievable–even here in Canada. More newspapers now are reporting, though meagerly, this tragedy.

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And yet, there are no Canadian reporters demanding access to the site of the crime. Maybe this moment will arrive, eventually, hopefully not too late, before these unfortunate men and women fighting for their survival, and for the existence of their distinct culture, will be liquidated.

JEWISH DAY HIGH SCHOOL TO BE FOUNDED

A novel and new development in Jewish education will be the opening of the Independent Jewish Day High School. The school will be offering grades ten and eleven for the coming school year, in a combination of a structured and semistructured program. A good part of the day will be spent in formal classes and special times will be set aside for mini-courses, special seminars and independent learning activities.

A double stream of Hebraic studies will be available, an intensive one for graduates of day schools, and a general one for those who lack intensive Hebrew education, but who are nevertheless, properly motivated for Jewish and Hebraic studies.

The school is sponsored by a group of interested parents, has secured the cooperation of staff members of the United Synagogue Day School, and will, for the 1971-1972 school year, meet at the Beth Tzedec Congregation. Mr. Aaron M. Nussbaum will be the Principal.

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MOBILIZATION OF COMMUNITY FOR HIGH HOLY DAYS ISRAEL BOND EFFORT BEGINS EARLY

"An intensified response to the High Holy Day Appeals for State of Israel Bonds this year has been made a top priority of the 1971 campaign in Toronto, as a result of the escalating needs of Israel for investment loan dollars," stated Albert J. Latner, General Chairman of the Israel Bond Drive for 1971.

"With the High Holy Days falling earlier this year, we are urging special efforts by all congregation presidents and executive bodies to begin their planning now, in order to ensure an efficient and maximum response by all congregants to the synagogue appeals", Mr. Latner stressed.

"By providing the State of Israel Bond staff with the necessary information during the summer months, all preparations can be made well in advance, permitting time and opportunity for special functions prior to the Yom Kippur Appeals, geared to the top 10% to 15% Israel Bond purchasers in each congregation who can serve as pacesetters for their fellow-members".

$12,000,000 GOAL

Mr. Latner expressed the determination of the entire State of Israel Bond Organization to marshal each and every congregation in the community as participants in the forthcoming High Holy Day Appeals, as an essential and key factor in reaching the $12 million Israel Bond goal set for Toronto Jewry this year.

"With Israel's future so critically dependent upon her economic strength, we must expand every facet of our communal activity to provide Israel with these loan funds, through the medium of the High Holy Day Appeals and all other productive campaign activities in the coming months."

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HARVY HECKER TO HEAD ACCOUNTANTS DIVISION FOR ISRAEL BOND CAMPAIGN '71

Harvey Hecker

Albert J. Latner, General Campaign Chairman for the 1971 Toronto Israel Bond Campaign has announced the appointment of Harvey Hecker, prominent leader in the accountancy profession in Toronto and Canada, to serve as Chairman of the Accountants Division for this year's State of Israel Bond Drive.

Mr. Hecker has served in top positions to advance his profession and was recognized in 1968 with the award of the title "Fellow C.A." by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants.

He is active in B'nai B'rith, Canada Lodge, Temple Emanu-El, New Mt. Sinai Building Fund and is playing an increasingly active part in the Bond effort to provide Israel with maximum investment loan funds to keep her economy strong.

"Special emphasis is being placed on Trades and Professions in the current campaign to mobilize additional support for Israel's development program, and Mr. Hecker's leadership in the accountants division will give great impetus to this facet of community effort," Mr. Latner declared.

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RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION CHANNELS EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN ISRAEL

For the first time since the establishment of the State of Israel as an independent State, a united front including all three religious branches of Judaism has been put forward in order to step up the participation of all congregations in the State of Israel Bond efforts throughout the United States and Canada.

Principal focus of the united front is on the scheduling of special sales functions by congregations, supplementing their High Holy Day Appeals, in order to provide all congregants with an opportunity to identify themselves at all levels, with the economic support so urgently required by Israel in the face of continuing uncertainty in the Middle East.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

With this in mind, leading Rabbis representing the Rabbinical Council of America (Orthodox); the Rabbinical Assembly (Conservative); and the Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform) jointly endorsed the following Resolution of the Rabbinical Assembly at the National Convention in Toronto, Toronto Jewry is represented on the Rabbinical Cabinet for Israel Bonds by Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Temple Sinai, Rabbi Stuart E. Rosenberg of Beth Tzedec, and Rabbi Erwin Schild of Adath Israel.

"WHEREAS in this year of decision, the people of Israel are compelled to devote all of their own resources to the urgent needs of defense which are now at their highest level since the Six Day War,

WHEREAS even after paying the highest taxes in the world, the Israelis cannot provide the means to sustain the country's economic development to finance the construction of housing and create employment opportunities for an expected new immigration of 50,000 this year and to prepare Israel to give Russian Jews desperately struggling to emigrate the home and new life they strive for among their people, and

WHEREAS the Israel Bond Organization which during the past twenty years has become the major source of large scale funds for the growth and expansion of Israel's economy is now called upon to raise the unprecedented sum of $400,000,000 or 75% of the current development budget of $547,000,000.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rabbinical Assembly, many of whose members have been in the forefront of the Israel Bond Campaign in the past, call upon its entire membership to enroll as active participants in the campaign which is so vital for the preservation of Israel's economic strength in the present crisis and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Rabbinical Assembly undertake to enlist the cooperation of all congregations in arranging dinners or other special occasions dedicated to mobilizing the maximum response of their members to the 1971 Israel Bond campaign to reinforce the economic foundations of Israel's hopes for peace and freedom as the spiritual heartland of the Jewish people".

NATHAN REIBER BOND AWARD RECIPIENT.—Nathan Reiber, prominent both in B'nai B'rith and the State of Israel Bond Drive in Toronto, has been named Award Recipient for 1971, by Upper Canada Lodge No. 1615 B'nai B'rith, "in recognition of his outstanding leadership in advancing the cause of Israel's economic progress through the Bond program".

Mr. Reiber is a Trustee of Israel, in the top echelon of membership in the Toronto Assembly, National Honorary Societies of Israel, State of Israel Bonds.

Date of the impressive "Award Dinner" being tendered by members of Upper Canada Lodge in Mr. Reiber's honor will be announced shortly. Shown here, left to right, congratulating Mr. Reiber on the announcement of the Award Dinner are: Reginald Gilbert, Upper Canada Lodge President; Award Recipient Nathan Reiber; Hank Greenberg, over-all Israel Bond Chairman, Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith; and Philip Usprech, Israel Bond Chairman, Upper Canada Lodge, B'nai B'rith.

Mr. Jacob Katzman, General Secretary of the Farband Labor Zionist Order, presented the Farband Charters to the three Independent Friendly Workers' Circle at the official Merger ceremony held on May 22, 1971 at the Viewmount Centre in Toronto.

Left to right:—Israel Appel, Past President of the Independent Group and presently Vice-Chairman of the Toronto Farband, Harry Weinstock, Chairman Toronto Farband and President Farband Canadian District, David Borenstein, President M. Anielewitch Branch 702, Jacob Katzman, Farband General Secretary, and special guest speaker of the evening, Moshe Pizel, President Zerubavel Branch 701, Max Federman, President Furriers Branch 703 and National President Achdut Avodah—Poalei Zion, Henry Cohen-Sittayoun, Executive Director, Farband Labor Zionist Order, Toronto and National Secretary Farband Canadian District.

ISRAEL'S AMBASSADOR TO BE HONORED AT FAREWELL DINNER

EPHRAIM EVRON

His Excellency Mr. Ephraim Evron and Mrs. Evron will be guests of honor at a special farewell dinner on July 5th, 1971 in Montreal, tendered by the Canadian Jewish Congress, the Federated Zionist Organization of Canada and the United Israel Appeal of Canada.

Mr. Evron has been Israel's Ambassador to Canada since early 1969. In addition to representing the State of Israel to the Canadian Government, he has won a particularly warm place in the hearts of the Jewish community of Canada.

DISTINGUISHED CAREER

Mr. Evron, a sabra, was born in Haifa in 1920. After serving in the British Middle East Forces, he joined the Foreign Ministry and was assigned to the American Department from 1946. From 1949-51, he was Political Secretary to Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett.

In 1951, he was appointed Secretary to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion. In 1953, he was posted to the Embassy of Israel in Washington as Second Secretary and a year later was appointed Chef de Cabinet to Defense Minister Labon.

After serving with Israel's Labor Federation until 1961, he rejoined the Foreign Service with assignments at the Embassy in London as Minister Plenipotentiary. In 1965, Mr. Evron returned to Washington and in 1968, he became Israel's Ambassador to Sweden.

After this long and hectic service abroad, Ambassador Evron and his wife will now return home to their beloved country. The Jewish community of Canada wishes them a fond farewell and good luck!

CANTORIAL CONCERT—A JARRING NOTE

by Aaron Morris

Ezra and Kadima Schools, in conjunction with the Toronto Council of Hazzanim, held their annual concert last Wednesday evening at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue. Proceeds went to the schools, which cater to the mentally retarded, and those with learning disabilities.

The Choirs of the Adath Israel, Beth Tzedec, Beth Emeth and B'nai Israel Beth David Synagogues combined under the conducting of Mr. Gordon Kushner to offer a magnificent and moving program.

DISTURBING FEATURE

The cantors, (J. Cooper, H. Klein, T. Kelen, A. E. Kirshblum and S. Weingort) themselves, were superb, either alone or with their choirs. However, this reporter found one distasteful note that disturbed what was otherwise a colorful and well presented program.

No one would be so prudish as to object to a selection of opera, and the sight of a male and female clutching at each other during an emotion filled or passionate love song is surely acceptable. Even the sight of a modicum of cleavage on a well-endowed female singer is far from objectionable.

But, when the background to all this kaleidoscope of sight and music is the Holy Ark, in which repose the Scrolls of Torah, one cannot help but feel somewhat uncomfortable.

INDIGESTIBLE SANDWICH

We expect the sound of prayer in Hebrew or Yiddish to burst forth at a Cantorial concert on the bimah of a synagogue. But La Boheme, sandwiched between Av Horachamim (Father of Mercy) and Modim (we give thanks to Thee) is as jolting an experience in a synagogue as would be the strains of Mah Tovu interrupting a performance of opera on the stage of a theater.

FEELING AND UNDERSTANDING

Of course, this is only one person's opinion, and no one will deny the quality of the performances. But perhaps at future such concerts, the Cantors will stick to Hazzanuth (after all, few of us rarely have the opportunity to hear our liturgy so beautifully rendered) and thereby give the community an opportunity to hear again our ancient prayers sung with the feeling and understanding that only great Cantors can give them.

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A message to the Toronto community

ISRAELI ORGANIZATION SEEKS SUPPORT TO PROVIDE FREE HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION

LEADING NORTH AMERICAN AND ISRAELI RABBIS, CABINET MINISTERS AND PROMINENT PHILANTHROPISTS HEAD COMMITTEE

APPEAL FOR HELP

One of the most important tasks facing Israel today is to ensure that the drop out rate from secondary schools is vastly decreased.

Israel's Ministry of Labor recently announced that there are over 25,000 young people, between the ages of 14 and 17, who are completely idle; they are either unemployed, unable to afford the fees of a High School Education or are too young for service in the armed forces. Certainly, the young state cannot afford this doubtful luxury.

DISCONTENT

This lack of education is not surprisingly the reason for much discontent amongst the underprivileged and poverty stricken citizens of Israel, (mostly from the Sephardi and Oriental communities) many of whose children graduate from the religious elementary schools where tuition is free, but, because of the often prohibitive fees at Yeshiva High Schools, cannot continue their education.

It is nothing less than tragic that of over 12,000 boys and girls who recently graduated from elementary religious schools, only 2,000 were able to enroll in Yeshiva High Schools or Trade Schools.

Israel can, in no way, afford to lose such a high percentage of young people who are deprived of further education, simply because there are no funds available to assist them.

FACING THE PROBLEM

In order to combat this situation, an organization known as Scholarships For Israel, Inc., has been established in Tel Aviv, under the leadership of Israel's foremost Rabbis and Government officials.

During the three years it has been in existence, Scholarships for Israel Inc., has been instrumental in assisting nearly one thousand boys and girls to persue their studies at Yeshiva High Schools. This figure, however, must be increased dramatically.

At this moment there are 1700 applications on the waiting list, and a further 2000 could be processed if funds were available.

The world-wide presidium and committee include Chief Rabbis Unterman and Nissim, Rabbi S. Z. Auerbach, Jerusalem, Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, N. Y., Rabbi Elazar M. Shack, Bnei Brak, Rabbi Y. D. Soloveichik, Jerusalem, Rabbi Ovadia Yosef, Sephardi Chief Rabbi of Tel Aviv.

EMISSARY IN TORONTO

Presently in Toronto on behalf of Scholarships for Israel Inc., is Dr. Samuel Gertz. A graduate of Yeshiva University, New York, Dr. Gertz was a Rabbi in Brooklyn and also Vice President of the National Council of Young Israel for America and Canada.

He has lived in Tel Aviv for the last nine years, where he has dedicated himself, on a voluntary basis, towards helping Israeli youth receive a full education.

Dr. Gertz is the editor of "Integration", a monthly review of newcomers to Israel. Whilst in Toronto, he will meet with leaders of the Jewish community, in order to discuss Scholarships for Israel, Inc.

Dr. S. Gertz with Israel President Shazar.

A TYPICAL APPEAL TO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ISRAEL

To: Scholarships for Israel,

I am turning to you for help. We came to Israel from Morocco and we have 10 children in the family.

My father is ill and unemployed. Only the One Above knows how we manage to live. Our home is very poor and several children have to sleep in one bed, or take turns sleeping because there are not enough beds.

My only hope is to be educated and be able to maintain myself in a respectable way.

Sincerely,
Avraham Ben David

Dr. Avnir Shaki, Vice Minister of Education of Israel at a Scholarship Award Ceremony.

Some of the children who are benefiting from Scholarships for Israel Inc.

Attacks educational problem plaguing Israel

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ISRAEL, INC.

Scholarships for Israel Inc., was organized three years ago by the leading Rabbis of Israel, Government Ministers and members of the Knesset as an educational, non-political Fund. Its avowed purpose is to alleviate the problem of the thousands of youngsters who graduate each year from the religious elementary schools in Israel but cannot continue in Yeshiva High Schools owing to the fact that they cannot afford the tuition in a school with full board (dormitory). Nearly all Yeshiva High Schools in Israel are resident schools and require that the students be housed in the schools. It is essential that they study in a school with such facilities because their homes are poor and their education can only be enhanced in such a framework.

In the last three years, **Scholarships for Israel Inc.**, has awarded scholarship grants to more than nine hundred boys and girls. As a result these pupils are now pursuing their studies in Yeshiva High Schools.

Our goal is to help and save at least one thousand boys and girls each year, by providing them with scholarship grants.

You too can SAVE A CHILD . . .

The high cost of education

Education in Israel's High Schools is costly. While the elementary schools are free and tuition in colleges and universities is relatively low, the cost of a Yeshiva High School education can be prohibitive. It costs approximately IL 3,500 ($1,000.) to maintain a student per year in an Israeli Yeshiva High School—with full board and tuition.

Yeshiva High Schools are privately endowed, and must support themselves. The Government of Israel has recently passed a law extending compulsory education for another two years—through the first and second years of High School. However, this does not benefit the Yeshiva High Schools.

Statistics released by the Religious Education Department of the Ministry of Education in Israel indicate that of a total of 12,508 pupils (boys and girls) who graduated in a given recent year from elementary schools, only 2,104 enrolled in Yeshiva High Schools and Yeshiva Trade Schools.

While it is obvious that of the balance not all were suited to pursue a Yeshiva High School education, it is however a fact that many of this group could and would have continued if they were provided with scholarship grants.

The Sephardi and Oriental communities

About two-thirds of Israel's school population is derived from the Sephardi and Oriental communities. These children are usually from destitute and underprivileged homes. The families are large, with an average age of nine children; sometimes running as high as sixteen children. The parents earn about IL 400-500 ($125.-$150.) per month. The minimal tuition they are required to pay is about IL 80 per month or a total of IL 960 per year. It is obvious that these families cannot afford to pay such tuition fees. As a result, the children either drop out completely, go to work, or enroll in the Public High School System which is practically free.

Incalculable loss

When you consider that these children have received an elementary religious education for eight years supported by the Government and now are deprived of continuing their religious education, the loss is staggering.

Not only are they deprived of furthering their Yeshiva education, but, as a result, countless generations are lost to the cause of religious Jewry in Israel.

It is much sounder to try to provide the scholarships needed for them to continue, than to lose them completely and then seek palliatives or peripheral remedies to keep them in the religious fold.

No substitute for education

In the last two decades various organizations have aimed to confront the secular elements in Israel with some kind of rapprochement. Bridges have been attempted as well as information and enlightenment projects. The results are relatively small. At most, they help create an atmosphere for tolerance and coexistence between religionists and non-religionists. However, they seldom create religious Jews in the orthodox and mitzvah-observing sense. In order to accomplish this, we have to enable educational continuity to last through the High School level, and where possible, for a number of years thereafter.

There is no substitute for basic education. No amount of lectures, meetings, dialogues, or literature can take the place of a sound Yeshiva education.

How the program works

Students who are eligible for scholarships, are recommended by their School principals. The family background is thoroughly researched by the school psychologist and social worker. A complete file is compiled listing the child's scholastic ability, aptitudes, the family status and background and the family's financial capacity.

When a scholarship is granted by the Selection Committee, the grant is sent to the respective school which has accepted the student. The school can derive further support from the following sources: Ministry of Education, Ministry of Religions, Joint Distribution Committee, The Williams Fund, The Wolfson Fund, and several smaller funds.

However, except in full welfare cases, the parents are nearly always required to pay tuition, and to sign promissory notes in advance for the entire year.

This is why it was important to establish **Scholarships for Israel Inc.**

Scholarships for Israel Inc. is non-political.

Scholarships for Israel Inc. is supported and endorsed by Israel's leading Rabbis, Government Ministers, members of the Knesset and leading laymen.

Scholarships for Israel Inc. aims to help all children regardless of background or association.

Scholarships for Israel Inc. provides prospective donors with an opportunity to contribute:

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Puzzle wrapped in a riddle

RUSSIA vs. ISRAEL

Winston Churchill's definition of Communist Russia's policies still is valid: the U.S.S.R., he said, was a puzzle wrapped in a riddle.

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Certainly, Jews, perturbed by the often incomprehensible enmity of the Moscow dictators toward the Jewish people, and Russia's continuous conspiratorial and overt campaigns against Israel, have become attuned to this complicated riddle on the chessboard of international politics. The zigzags of Brezhnev—the open political warfare followed by "friendly" counsel—contribute to the confusion surrounding Russia's game.

On occasions the Soviet Union hints at its readiness to "discuss" the Near East with friends of the Jewish State; then follows a blast and new transports of ever more sophisticated arms to Egypt, the avowed enemy of the Jewish state.

Recently news media have been exposed to sensational information, concerning Moscow's intentions with regard to the Middle East. Thus one asks, has Moscow changed or are these the notorious Communist salami tactics aimed at dislodging us from our position of vigilance?

We also ask: Is there a Brezhnev doctrine pertinent to the Middle East, to Egypt?

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The outstanding factor in this uncertainty when appraising Soviet policy is the continuous confrontation with Soviet secret manoeuvres—which very few are able to comprehend,—and the discrepancy defying our intelligence almost every day. This, perhaps, has been for fifty-four years the strength of what the Russians call the *Leninist* policy, and for which they blame poor Karl Marx.

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Eight days ago Jerusalem categorically denied all rumors and "leaks" to the press concerning a secret meeting of Prime Minister Golda Meir with Russian leaders in Lapland, of all places. One member of the coterie of the Israeli Premier, who had travelled with her to the Finnish Far North, in an interview with the Israeli daily Haaretz, asked to be quoted to the effect that he was constantly with Mrs. Meir and that she did not see any Russians during this trip. His name is Eliyahu Eliav, one of the top leaders of Israel's ruling Labor party.

However, during the last few days, the puzzle, to paraphrase Churchill, has become more enigmatic than ever.

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No less a spokesman for Israel than her Foreign Minister Abba Eban stated, according to the prestigious Reuters news agency, that Israel expects the USSR to renew diplomatic ties with Jerusalem. At a meeting in Jerusalem last Sunday Israel's Foreign Minister declared "the time seems to be ripe" for the Soviet Union to "reestablish" diplomatic ties. Eban added that Israel would favorably respond to such an initiative, "in any form".

In the same address delivered at Jerusalem Eban said, according to the Reuters dispatch, he would not be surprised if the Soviet Union "did so" in the near future.

Discussing the "rupture of relations" following the Six-Day-War in 1967, Israel's head of diplomacy expressed his conviction that such a situation—no diplomatic rapport between the Soviet Union and the State of Israel—could not last forever, just as "friendly relations" between countries are not to be considered "eternal".

Mr. Eban continued by uttering his opinion that such renewal of contact between Moscow and Jerusalem is "imperative," from the point of view of Soviet interests in the Middle East. He concluded, again according to Reuters, that the second reason for the pursuit of diplomatic accommodation with Israel, besides the problem of establishing herself permanently in the Middle East, is the steadily mounting pressure of the Jewish problem inside the Soviet Union. Therefore Eban said, Moscow may renew contact with Israel "in the near future."

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No matter how problematic and secretive reports about Soviet moves and Israel's countermoves may be, one cannot dispense lightly with a statement by Abba Eban.

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To the impartial observer who does not pretend to know the intricacies of secret diplomacy, an interview with the Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, that took up two pages of last weekend's Maariv, Israel's most circulated newspaper, may hold a partial answer to our question: "What is behind this talk of diplomatic conduct between Jerusalem and Moscow?

From this interview with Moshe Dayan it appears that Israel now is convinced that the Soviet Union finally came to the conclusion it cannot totally rely upon such an ally as Egypt. As Dayan said in this interview, no one can be sure that the recent purge of politicians by Sadat has been the last in a chain of developments that could affect the situation in Egypt.

Certainly Moscow would be affected by any political evolution in a country where it has such heavy investments. What Moshe Dayan implied was: no matter what Russia did achieve in its dealings or agreements with Egypt, no one can impose its conditions upon Israel.

If the Soviet Union desires to solve the problem of the Middle East, Dayan hinted, it must deal with Israel and no one else. Dayan also dismissed the canard that the United States has been coercing Israel into retreat from its position. Now, he says, even the Nato countries know that Russia's arming of Egypt has created not only a military imbalance between Israel and Egypt, but more serious, an imbalance between the forces of Nato and the forces of the Warsaw Pact.

Israel's Defense Minister recalled that when Israel said "no!" to Jarring, he had to return to Moscow and tell the Russians: nothing doing; Israel says "No!"

Replying to a question as to whether Israel had accepted the Rogers plan, Dayan said:

"Israel accepted the *initiative* of Rogers to talk *indirectly* to Egypt. Nothing else. It has not committed itself to withdrawal." "Israel," he added, "will not enter into any agreement to reopen the Suez Canal—which is Sadat's proposal—unless there will be iron-clad guarantees that such a move would not strengthen the military power of the United Arab Republic. If Egypt insists that the partial withdrawal from the Suez Canal means the first step to Jerusalem's total evacuation of the Sinai, including Sharm-el-Sheik, there is no use talking."

Dayan continued: the rumors, according to which there was discussion of how many miles Israel is to retreat, are absolutely untrue.

"We never reached that point," he said.

However, the most important declarations made by Dayan are those dealing with the Soviet Union and its military personnel in the area:

"Israel," he said, "fears a renewal of the war with Egypt because the Soviet Union is creating an illusion among the Arabs that they could defeat the Jewish state. The more arms the Soviet Union delivers to Egypt, the lesser are the chances of peace. Israel will not be blackmailed by those arms deliveries."

He then stated although Israel will do everything in its power *not* to attack Soviet planes or take a chance of direct confrontation with Soviet pilots, should a war break out, such confrontation cannot be excluded. Nor should one eliminate the possibility of Israel's occupying Cairo.

The army does not intend to cross the canal into Egypt. What it wants is peace, and not more occupied territory. Yet there are certain laws of warfare, he warned. If one attacks during war, he is out to win and conquer and cannot consider any other problems involved.

Again and again, Mr. Dayan indicated to the Russians that Israel will do everything in its power not to fight Soviet personnel but, if necessary, will have to take that chance. He dismissed as idle talk the oratory of Sadat, by stressing the fact that it is the Soviet Union that will pull the cards, and no one else.

Yet indirectly, Mr. Dayan suggested Israel's readiness and willingness to talk to the Soviet Union and find the means to prevent an aggravation of the conflict and instead, pursue the road to peace.

One of Dayan's most important remarks in this lengthy interview was that he is absolutely convinced the Soviet Union has no commitment to defend *actively* Egyptian skies from Israeli attack.

This interview, as well as the statement by Abba Eban, may indicate that Israel's policy now is oriented towards some kind of contact with Moscow. It may be the result of a universal conviction that, while the United States will not pressure Israel into accepting any compromise, the mood in Washington today is one of *mounting isolationism*, of American non-involvement in any new wars.

Therefore it is the opinion of some diplomatic circles that the Soviet Union, in its disappointment with Egypt, may be inclined to at least try to discover, in a closer contact with Israeli diplomats, what Jerusalem is ready to do, in order not to weaken Russia's position in the area. Diplomats also maintain, despite all verbal attacks by Moscow that there are some leaders in the Soviet capital who believe that Israel does not visualize any real conflict between this superpower and herself.

Israel, these diplomats say—as the Jewish people the world over—demands only that the Soviet Union understand that Jewish interests are limited to securing the rights of those who wish to emigrate, to leave the Soviet Union, and to accord Soviet Jews the freedom of religion guaranteed by the Soviet constitution. It also hopes that the Soviet Union finally will realize that it cannot gain anything by continuously feeding Egypt's war machine and threatening world peace in that area. Whether the United States would be involved in such a conflict or not may be a topic for academic discussions. Yet, as Dayan said, Nato cannot afford to be otmanoeuvered in the eastern Mediterranean. The only *modus vivendi* is coexistence of both superpowers in that area as well as coexistence of Israel and the Arabs within secure borders.

All said, we still ponder upon Churchill's famous saying: Russia remains a puzzle, wrapped in a riddle. Yet Israel is making a real effort, so it seems, to unwrap this riddle.

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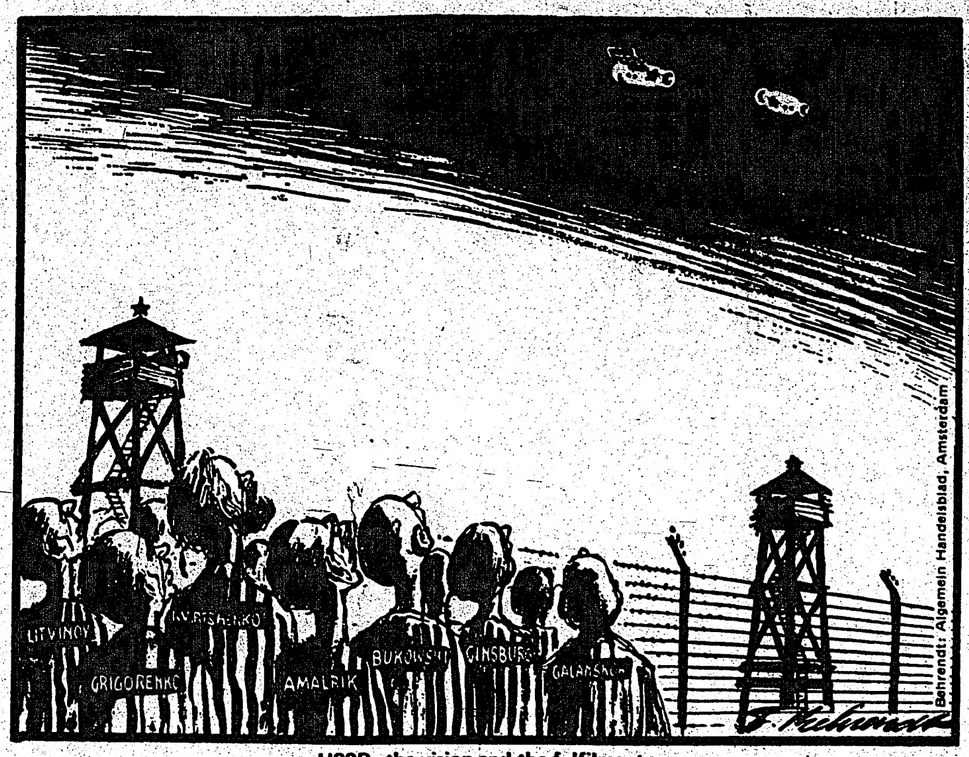
The Jewish people as well as Israel have *no eternal enemies*. They only hope that Moscow, in reviewing its global policy, would realize, once and for all, that all the Jewish state and the Jewish people throughout the world desire is recognition for the Jew as an individual and as a national group, the right to survive.



USSR: the vision and the fulfilment

ASK THE RABBI

Q. "They shall put with the fringe of each corner a blue thread" (Numbers 15). Why do we not have blue tsitsit?

A. According to the rabbis the dye for the blue (better, purple) thread (techelet) is prepared from a marine animal known as halazon. The exact identification of the halazon was forgotten and so this thread was no longer used.

The Mishna (Manachot 4, 1) rules that the tsitsit are kosher without the blue thread. The late Chief Rabbi Herzog wrote his doctorial thesis on this subject.

In a well-known rabbinic interpretation it is said that the techelet is the color of the sea, which in turn is the color of the sky, which resembles the Throne of Glory, so that the purpose of the techelet was to remind man to turn his gaze heavenwards.

It is frequently said that the reason why the talit is manufactured with blue or black lines around the edges is as a remembrance of the techelet.

In the last century the Chasidic Rebbe of Radzhyn claimed to have rediscovered the secret of the ancient dye, and to this day the followers of this Chasidic dynasty (as well as the Bratzlaver Chasidim, who have no Rebbe and are, therefore, able to do as they please in these matters) wear the techelet in their tsitsit. But the majority of rabbis were strongly opposed to the innovation, partly for reasons of religious conservatism. There is a whole literature on this debate.

Recently, Dr. Mordecai Kaplan has put forward the fascinating idea that the Jews in Roman times were greatly attracted to the techelet because it was, in fact, the royal purple dye, and this explains, too, the reason why the Mishna rules that is is not essential since it may well have been a dangerous thing for a Jew to wear. Kaplan wishes now to reintroduce the techelet as a reminder that the Jew who keeps God's laws is noble and entitled to "wear the purple".

Q. Is there any reason why people whose parents are living should not visit a cemetery?

A. The idea that people whose parents are living should not visit a cemetery is not mentioned in any of the sources. Where the custom is followed, therefore, it is probably sheer superstition and has no support in Jewish law.

GOLDA- THE YIDDISH MAMME

by Mark Segal

A satirical colunist in an Israeli magazine once described Mrs. Golda Meir as the universal "Yiddishe mamme". The remark was meant to be snide. But it is quite possible that some future historian will, in fact, put Mrs. Meir forward as "the mother of the Jewish people".

It has been said that her seemingly endless inner resources stem from a profound and passionate identification with the Jewish people. She is supposed not to sleep at night for worrying about Soviet Jewry.

Few people will forget her broadcast to bereaved families on the eve of one Memorial Day for fallen soldiers. She spoke simply and directly, as if she were addressing each family in person.

NO-NONSENSE MANNER

Her strength lies in direct thinking, in an ability to get to the heart of the matter. Outsiders may wonder how brash young Israelis so willingly accept a 73-year-old head of Government. The answer may partly lie in that special relationship of Jews to their mothers, but it is due even more to Golda's forthright, no-nonsense manner, which Israelis like.

One would have had to be an armor-plated cynic not to be moved by the meeting she had with the Jewish communities of the Scandinavian countries, when she recently went there to attend the Socialist International conference. She spoke from the bima of the Stockholm Great Synagogue. The atmosphere was electric as she talked of the indestructibility of the Jewish spirit. The previous evening, when she had spoken to leaders of Swedish Jewry about the sufferings of Iraqi Jews, she sounded like a mother talking of her own children.

A TOUGH MOTHER

If she is a Yiddishe mamme she is a very tough one, as the Leftist reporters who pressed her with hostile questions on her Scandinavian tour learnt to their dismay. Mrs. Meir knows how to use irony as a lethal instrument.

When she asked: "Why was it that no one lost any sleep when Old Jerusalem was judenrein (free of Jews) for 19 years?" and addressed herself to Europeans -- that was a more effective presentation of Israel's case than many a sophisticated lecture.

Israel's political set-up has been likened to Elizabethan England's. There is the beloved monarch enjoying popular support, plus a couple of powerful barons. Politicians' positions are a reflection of their proximity to the throne.

GEFILTE FISH AND YIDDISH

In Israel you have "arrived" if you have had an invitation to Golda's kitchen. If she has served you with tea in person or, better still, offered you some of her gefilte fish, you are "in".

At the conclusion of her Scandinavian tour Mrs. Meir graciously invited the Israeli journalists accompanying her to a session at an official guest house provided by the Norweigian Government.

As coffee was served, the conversation turned to the subject of Yiddish and to the fact that Yiddish is now "in" in Israel. Mrs. Meir smilingly replied: "Well, Yiddish has been "in" with me for 70 years".

KEEP SMILING

The two N.Y. cloak manufacturers met for lunch.

"Sam", the first began, "I understand your son has been accepted at a very fancy university."

"Of course," explained Sam, "The boy is brilliant."

"Tell me," the first fellow questioned, "What will he be when he graduates?"

Sam smiled proudly -- "If the draft continues, about 39!"

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"The editor hanged himself a few minutes ago."

"Have they cut him down?"

"Not yet. He isn't dead."

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First Cannibal: "Am I late for dinner?"

Second Cannibal: "Yes, everybody's eaten."

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The tramp was sitting with his back to a hedge by the wayside, munching at some scraps wrapped in a newspaper. A lady, out walking with her pet Pomeranian, strolled past. The little dog ran to the tramp and tried to muzzle the food. The tramp smiled expansively at the lady. "Shall I throw the little dog a bit, mum?" he asked.

The lady smiled a gracious assent, and the tramp caught the dog by the nape of the neck and tossed it over the hedge.

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Cohen's place of business had just gone up in smoke and his insurance agent was trying to explain that he couldn't collect cash for it.

"Read the policy," he insisted, "All our company can do is put up another building exactly like the one that's been destroyed."

Cohen, apoplectic with rage, thundered: "If that's the way you do business, cancel the policy on my wife before it's too late."

Spiritual Leader leaves Toronto

DR. RABINOVITCH

Rabbi Nachum L. Rabinovitch has left the Toronto community for England. We know we express the sentiments of many by saying that London's gain is our loss.

Dr. Rabinovitch, an outstanding Hebrew scholar, a Talmid Haham in the classic sense of the word, a university teacher of mathematics, has settled in England where he will head the famous Jews' College of London. This reputable Anglo-Jewish institution requires complete reorganization, as British Jewry is in dire need of a school training spiritual leaders attuned to our time.

During his eight years in Toronto, Dr. Rabinovitch was not only the spiritual leader of the Clanton Park Synagogue, but also one of the most respected teachers of our community. His activities in many areas of communal endeavor—education, unconditional support of Israel's just cause, dissemination of a better understanding of the meaning of Judaism—all these efforts made this young Rabbi an influential force here, especially among the younger generation.

Dr. Rabinovitch, a graduate of Ner Israel Yeshiva in Baltimore and Johns Hopkins University, came here from Charleston, S.C., one of the oldest Jewish communities on the continent. During his tenure of office here he contributed greatly toward the progress of Toronto Jewish life.

SERMON FOR THE WEEK

KEEP PEACE AND PURSUE IT

Moses rose and went to Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him (*Numbers 16:25*).

Legend recounts that, when Moses asked the elders to accompany him to the tents of Dathan and Abiram, they were amazed that he should be willing to go to them. "They are both trouble-makers," they said, "responsible for the conflict between you and Korah. It is not fitting for you, our leader, to go to these wicked men. Why don't you send a messenger?"

But it was in the spirit of peace that Moses went to Dathan and Abiram. A man of deep humility, who would never allow anything to stand in the way of peace-making, he would not let pride interfere with his goal.

When we reach the conclusion of the *Amidah* prayers and recite the verse: "He who makes peace in the high places, may He make peace for us," it is customary to take three steps backwards. The usual explanation is that, if it is not proper to withdraw from a king or some other high-ranking official by turning our back to him, it is certainly irreverent for us to leave the presence of God by turning our back toward Him.

But there is another explanation: We must never turn our back on peace-making.

Moses was told by God: "Never let pride stand in the way. Peace is paramount."

Mere appeasement is a vain gesture, whereas the conciliatory spirit achieves much. We must *always* "seek peace and pursue it."

FROM HEAVEN ON YOUR HEAD, by Dr. S.Z. Kahana, adapted by Rabbi Morris Silverman. By arrangement with Hartmore House, Hartmore House, Hartford, Conn.

BOOKS OF THE WEEK by Dr. Arnold Ages

A nostalgia in full swing

THIS FABULOUS CENTURY 1920-1930; 1930-1940. Time-Life Books.

The age of nostalgia is in full swing. In reviewing earlier volumes in this series several weeks ago, I noted the current vogue of recalling the past.

Since then an entire magazine has appeared on the scene to help us reminisce about the past half century. "Liberty", fondly remembered by thousands of readers, has made its reappearance on the newstands.

The two volumes under discussion today are part of the Time-Life pictorial albums that recount the vicissitudes of the twenties and thirties of this century.

In both these folios the editors have focused their emphasis on the social history of the United States. Both the text and photographs concentrate on American advertising, politics and social behaviour. Much space is also devoted to the various phases of the entertainment industry.

Conspicuously absent are references to America's foreign involvements during the twenty years depicted here. In a way, it's refreshing not to have to be exposed to the same images of Nazi Germany, Stalinist Russia and Franco Spain that are generally seen in photographic albums covering the same period.

Both volumes contain some fascinating memorabilia connected with the infatuations of another age. In a section entitled "Flight", the viewer is treated to a series of photographs showing stunt men performing various acrobatic routines on the wings of flimsly flying machines.

The album featuring materials from the twenties contains, as well, replicas of some of the racier tabloids that proliferated in the highly competitive newspaper industry of that period. One such replica displays an incredibly gruesom photograph of the dying Ruth Snyder at the moment of her execution in the electric chair. The picture was obtained by an enterprising photographer for the New York Daily News who strapped a camera to his leg in order to get the photograph.

As might be expected many of the photographs in the 1930's volume depict the dreary life experienced by the unemployed and destitute during the great depression. There is an added poignancy in these pictures in as much as their clarity emphasizes even more the poverty depicted. Similarly, an ominous photograph of a dust storm in Clayton, New Mexico on May 21, 1937, has the effect of almost drawing the viewer into its vortex.

There is, of course, a much lighter side to this volume. Many pages are devoted to the radio, film and entertainment personalities who commanded legions of adoring followers. The editors have even provided some 'camp' art with the inclusion of a Wheaties cereal box circa 1939, offering the buyer not only the endorsement of Jack Armstrong, "the all-American boy," but also a shooting plane with the requisite number of box tops. In the same category there are pages narrating the adventures of Dick Tracy, Tom Mix, Little Orphan Annie.

While avoiding commentary on foreign entanglements during the 30's the editors focus considerable discussion on the labor problems which plagued the United States during the testing times between the unions and management. There are some graphic photographs of goon squads beating up striking workers.

All in all, these albums provide a satisfying glimpse of American life as it existed four and five decades ago. It was the best of times; it was the worst of times. . .

Shown here are Cantor Paul Sheldon, well known for his fine vocal qualities in the city of Toronto and in several parts of the United States, who will serve as the Musical Director of the Farband Labor Zionist Order, Toronto "Hazamir Choir", and Miss Brenda Katz who will be the piano accompanist during the 1971/72 season.

THE MEMOIRES OF ALBERT SPEER

by W. Simon

The memoires of Albert Speer will serve historians, social scientists, and the reading public in their efforts to gain a better understanding of the Hitler regime in particular and of the phenomenon of totalitarianism in general.

Speer's account of what attracted him to Hitler and his cause reflects the motives of the bulk of Germany's young intelligentsia of that time whose enthusiastic and disciplined support provided German national-socialism with much of the dynamic force that carried it to power under the leadership of Hitler. Beyond this, Speer helps us to understand all those well educated, intelligent, and idealistic young engineers, scientists, technicians, etc., whose lack of political sophistication predestines them, in times of crisis, to follow charismatic pseudo-saviors and to embrace pseudo-scientific doctrines of national or social salvation.

As Hitler's architect and then as minister of arms production Speer was the only member of the governing inner circle whose position derived from acknowledged expertise rather than personal attachment to the Fuehrer or to prominence in the hierarchy of the party in power. This enabled Speer to give an intimate and revealing account of the top echelon of the Third Reich, especially of its top man. We also learn here a great deal about the processes that led to decisions that left their marks upon the pages of history and the lives of millions.

As former man-in-charge of the logistics of the war machine of the Third Reich Albert Speer also gives us instructive accounts of how the complex organizational problems were dealt with, foremost among them those created by allied bombing missions about which the author writes with cool technical objectivity.

Of special significance is Speer's unflinching assumption of his share of the guilt for what had been done by the regime in which he had held a privileged and prominent position. The author's formulation of his own indictment could hardly be improved upon by any prosecuting attorney.

The sincerity of his penitence is established beyond doubt by his willingness to bear the consequences of his share of the guilt of the regime he had served when he refused to avail himself of any of the many readily available opportunities to avoid standing trial. Speer provides, at the same time, one of the most devastating indictments of the criminal inhumanity of Germany's national-socialist regime ever presented by anybody. Beyond this, Speer's memoires sound a warning to all educational systems that stress the attainment of specialized technical proficiency at the neglect of political sophistication, sociological understanding, and humanist values.

TECHNION CONFERS HONORARY DEGREE

The Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, has conferred an honorary degree of Doctor of Science in Technology upon Julius Silver.

Mr. Silver, a prominent New York attorney and Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Polaroid Corporation, has made possible the establishment of a Biomedical Engineering Institute at Technion, bearing his name. The award took place during a ceremony at the Churchill Auditorium on the Haifa campus, at which more than 250 advanced degrees were conferred on Technion students.

Israel Foreign Minister Abba Eban addressed the audience. An honorary doctorate was also awarded to Aaron Wiener, director-general of Tahal, Israel's water system builder.

GENEROUS SUPPORT

Technion President Alexander Goldberg cited Mr. Silver for "his deep interest in a far-sighted program in the biomedical engineering sciences, leading to a more thorough understanding of the interaction between physical and biological phenomena, and in grateful acknowledgment of his generous support which has enabled the Technion to expand its teaching and research activities in this area -- for the well-being and welfare of mankind."

The Julius Silver Institute in Biomedical Engineering will work in close cooperation with the newly-formed Technion - Haifa Medical School.

Mr. Silver is a Trustee of New York University, a Trustee of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and was a member of the group which founded Brandeis University. He resides in Byram, Connecticut.

MISHNA vs. MARIJUANA

How do you keep children away from drugs and dope? How do you stop them from rioting and mixing with undesirables? These and other similar questions have bothered parents and educators, social workers and psychiatrists -- indeed society in general -- for many years.

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HOUSING PROJECT

More than this, under the guidance and support of the sponsoring organization, Yeshiva Beth Henoch, a housing project has been established in Brooklyn, permitting former students and scholars to be accommodated with their families at very low cost.

Even in Israel, ten Mishna groups have been established by Rabbi Potash, and many more are envisaged.

"If we want to keep our children on the straight and narrow path," says this dynamic and dedicated educator, "we must pull them off the streets and teach them Mishna". It seems to be working.

ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA FACES SERIOUS PROBLEMS

by Moshe Ron

A long time has passed since the historic evening of December 26th, 1936, when the great Italian conductor, Arturo Toscanini conducted the first concert of the Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra. There are many people living in Tel Aviv, who remember that evening. The concert took place in a big store near the port, almost in the open air. The birds on the surrounding trees "assisted" the orchestra and Arturo Toscanini suffered a lot from the "uninvited guests".

Today, the IPO has one of the most modern auditoriums in the world. It is the Mann Auditorium, which is situated in the heart of Tel Aviv, near the National Theater, "Habima".

MUSICIANS OF PERSECUTION

How did a small country like Israel create such a splendid musical institution which has gained international fame? It is a long story, which in some way is connected with the dark times of Hitlerism. The world famous violinist Bronislav Huberman was the creator of the Orchestra. He collected many Jewish musicians who had lived and played in Germany.

In the year 1933, all these musicians were dismissed from German orchestras and remained unemployed and without means. Huberman had seen in his vision that Palestine was the only suitable place for them. With great zeal he started this new task, and so the Palestine Philharmonic Orchestra was born. He also mobilized Jewish musicians from other countries of persecution.

Today the IPO which has reached international fame in the course of the years, faces serious problems. It has support which is unparalleled by any other orchestra, with 35,000 permanent subscribers all over the country, who are ready to give up many needs, but not participation in the Orchestra's Subscription Concerts. These subscribers do not belong to the richer echelons of the population. They are mostly people living on salaries. The IPO has become a people's institution.

LOYAL SUPPORTERS

The first subscribers were immigrants from Germany, who brought a rich musical tradition with them to Palestine. But in the course of years, a new generation of music lovers grew up and today forms a loyal "army", which stands firmly behind the IPO.

Now the IPO is facing certain difficulties, like all other musical institutions throughout the world. The first is the question of repertoire. The classical repertoire does not satisfy the young listener any more. The musical crisis is felt all over the world. Pop orchestras, with their idols of today's youth, who change from season to season after singing their hits, have caused this revolution.

Youth seeks the truth in its own way, which does not conform with the old traditions of art. The IPO faces the same crisis. Modern music demands its place in the program. A "cultural war" has almost broken out.

The management of the IPO decided to include in its concerts Arnold Schonberg's Violin Concerto. The majority of the audience did not like this work, and the IPO was compelled to change its program and play Mendelssohn's Violin Concerto instead.

MUSIC - NOT WAR

Some subscribers revolted against this decision. The IPO had to give a special concert for them on a Friday afternoon, with Schonberg's Violin Concerto, entry to which was free. There were fierce discussions about the concerto in the front of the hall and passers-by and tourists were astonished to hear the cause of the arguments. They were sure they were about whether or not to return the Occupied Territories. When they heard what was going on, they remarked that only in Israel would such a thing happen, that people forget about war and argue about music. . .

The greatest conductors and soloists appear with the IPO: Jasha Heifetz, David Oistrakh, Yehudi Menuhin, Zino Franciscatti, Claudio Aarau, Antal Dorati, Istvan Kertesz, Carl Anceri, Lauren Mazal, Paul Paray, Carlo Maria Guilini, Eugene Ormandy, Paul Klecky, etc. Also young artists, who have gained international fame, such as Yizhak Perlman, Pinchas Zuckerman, Vladimir Ashkenazi, Rada Lupo, Daniel Barenboim.

I particularly wish to point out the musical director of the IPO, Zubin Mehta. He showed his special sympathy for Israel and the Jewish people when he flew to Israel immediately after the Six Day War (June 1967) and stayed in the country during that crucial time.

He fixes the repertoire of the IPO and tries to solve the actue problems by enlarging the frame of the repertoire to include most modern music. Last season, for the first time in the history of the IPO, a pop ensemble (the Churchills) appeared at a concert, together with the Orchestra.

Mehta maintains that everything has to be done to bring youth closer to music. He thinks that such an approach may detract youth from certain habits, which cause great problems all over the world today, such as narcotism and hooliganism.

The IPO may be regarded as the best ambassador of the State of Israel. Its language is universal, and can be understood everywhere throughout the world.

The political leaders of Israel know how to estimate the value of the IPO. They know how its performances abroad enhance the prestige of Israel in the world. It is, therefore, regrettable, that such an important cultural institution has to struggle so hard for its existence.

The yearly budget of the IPO amounts approximately to 5 million Israeli pounds. The Israeli government allots only a subsidy of 600,000 pounds a year to the IPO. The orchestra which works hard to "earn its bread", is kept alive by its 35,000 supporters. It goes to the most remote places in the country, such as Eilat, Kiryat Shmone, Beersheba, Yagur, Kineret, Ein Gev, etc.

It brings good music to the kibbutzim and moshavim throughout Israel. Therefore it is important to find ways and means to help and support the IPO. Jews, especially, should be proud of the IPO, the quality of which is appreciated and envied in all cultural countries, and should help it to continue to fulfil its important mission.

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The new revue at the Theater in the Dell, "The Dell Pickle", opens on Tuesday, June 29 at 9 p.m.

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The original material for the revue was essentially written by Geoffrey Hine (who, as creative director for an ad agency, literally walking off the job one Friday to devote his time to freelance writing), Stuart Fisher and Chuck Weir. Five of the seven songs for the show were written by Hine, two by Rosemary Radcliffe and Ben McPeek wrote the music for two songs.

After the opening on June 29, the regular performance schedule will be: Monday through Thursday at 9 p.m. ($3.00); with two shows on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. ($3.50).

Seats may be booked by calling the Theater in the Dell at 368-5309.

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2:30 p.m. High Park — 48th Highlanders Military Band
2:30 p.m. Kew Gardens — 48th Highlanders Pipes & Drums Band; 411 Squadron Mobile Command Band; Guest: Helen Murray
5:30 p.m. High Park — Organ Recital: Ronnie Padgett
7:30 p.m. Willowvale Park — Peggy Jackson & the Speltones
7:30 p.m. Earlscourt Park — The Village Polka Band

MONDAY, JUNE 28TH
8:30 p.m. Ramsden Park — Square Dancing—Bob Scott & his Orchestra

TUESDAY, JUNE 29TH
8:00 p.m. Allan Gardens — 48th Highlanders Military Band
8:30 p.m. Withrow Park — Square Dancing—Bob Scott & his Orchestra

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8:00 p.m. Eglinton Park — The Art Hallman Orchestra
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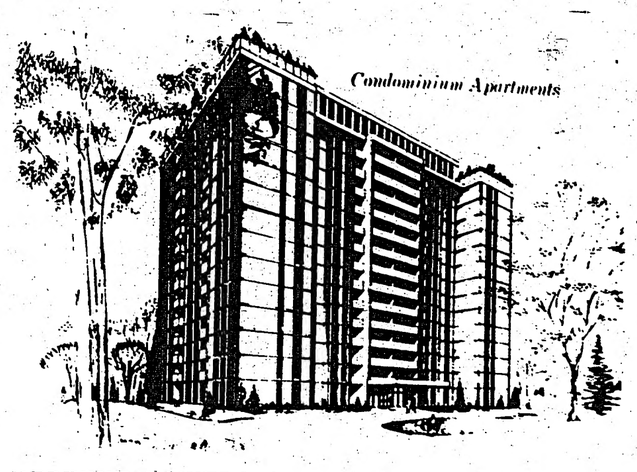

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CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE HAILS ISRAEL'S MIRACULOUS RESURRECTION

New York. - The New York Times reports from Jerusalem:

More than 1,000 evangelical Christians from the United States and 31 other countries met in Jerusalem last week to proclaim their faith in the imminent second coming of Christ.

Dr. Carl F. H. Henry, chairman of the Jerusalem Conference on Biblical Prophecy, called it "the largest Christian ingathering at Jerusalem since the early days of the church after Pentecost," in the first century A.D.

Concluding with a prayerful march up the Mount of Olives on Saturday, conference participants -- including many teenage children with their parents -- sat from early morning into the evening for four days, listening to inspirational music and sermons from leading spokesmen of the evangelical movement.

Israel's first Premier, David Ben-Gurion, welcomed the delegates; Jerusalem's mayor, Teddy Kollek, gave a concluding reception.

'WE HAVE HOPE'

"Today's prophets of doom and gloom are not in the evangelical pulpit, but in the laboratories, the halls of international diplomacy or at their typewriters," said Dr. Arnold T. Olson, president of the Evangelical Free Church of America. "On the contrary the very fact that we are assembled in Jerusalem indicates that we have hope."

The idea for the conference, which is not sponsored by any one denomination, originated with several American evangelists as a way of combining a tourist pilgrimage to the Holy Land with sessions of intensive study of the prophetic teachings of the Bible.

"Prophecy," in the sense of the conference, is not mere forecasting of events. As explained by Dr. Merrill C. Tenny, retiring dean of the Wheaton (Ill.) College Graduate School, "Prophecy is the evaluation of the world scene as it relates to the purpose of God for his people, whether in past, present or future. The development of prophecy is thus the progressive definition of God's purpose in dealing with his people."

Plenary sessions of the conference have been held in the vast concert and lecture hall of Jerusalem, Binyenei Haooma. Conducted in in English, simultaneous translation was provided in Spanish and Japanese.

BIBLE PASSAGE CITED

For evangelical Christians one of the key signs that the second coming of Christ, envisaged in the Book of Revelations, is imminent is the return of the Jews to the land of Israel and the city of Jerusalem.

Several speakers saw this as the realization of the vision of Ezekiel in Chapter 37 about the valley of dry bones, which says: "Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land."

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Dallas, said: "While Israel's continuing preservation from A.D. 70 is a divine miracle, her resurrection and her preservation as a modern state to the present is no less a miracle."

Sentiments such as these have interested the more politically minded Israelis, even if they seem somewhat confused about how to react to another part of the evangelical Christian belief, which holds that at the second coming of Christ or just before it the Jews will accept the faith of Jesus and, in effect, become converted to Christianity.

ISRAELI URGES CAUTION

The principal Israeli speaker at the conference, Rabbi Zvi Werblowsky, professor of comparative religion at Hebrew University, cautioned the delegates against seeking too literal a realization of Biblical prophecies.

He also firmly rejected an argument that many Zionists had used in justifying the creation of Israel, taking prophecies of the Bible to prove legal claims to the land of Palestine.

The conference seemed to signal more than any other event of recent years the shift in attitudes within Christendom toward Israel, in the first decade of Israel's existence as a modern state.

In more recent years particularly since the Six-Day War of 1967, it has been the conservative, fundamentalist sections of the Christian world that have chosen to identify with the Israeli cause.

Six of the leading American clergymen at the conference, including Dr. Olson, issued a statement commending Israel "for the scrupulous care with which it has protected Christian places and people."

The statement continued: "Taking note that throughout history, Jerusalem has never been the capital of any people except for the Jewish people, we are struck by the fact that since the Six-Day War, all people are free to worship in the place of their choice, unlike the situation that pertained during the period 1948-1967."

DRUSE CHIEF ON SPY CHARGE

Tel Aviv, (JCNS). - Sheikh Kamal Kanji Abu Salah, 60, the leader of the Golan Heights Druse, has been arrested on charges of spying for Syria. The arrest was made four weeks ago, but was announced only recently. Nine other suspects were arrested with him.

He is known to have been in close touch with several Israeli political leaders -- he has acted as host to the Deputy Premier, Mr. Yigal Allon, on a number of occasions -- and his arrest came as a complete surprise.

Israeli officials said that Sheikh Kanji was arrested after a house in his village had been surrounded by troops who then ordered everyone inside to come out. He was the first to do so.

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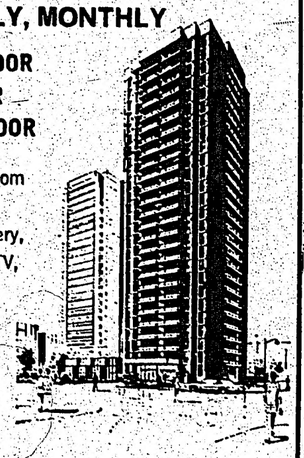

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LOUDSPEAKER UNDER EVERY PILLOW

The other day we saw on TV a pro-Israel resolution shaping up at the Helsinki Conference, and right away we checked with the little woman whether we had not misunderstood Haim Yavin. Because it seems to us that for years now, no international meeting has passed without a censure vote against this friendly neighborhood aggressor.

We have lost out in the finals of the World Public Opinion Cup; let's concede the fight in a sportsmanlike spirit. Israelis visiting abroad do not have to read in the press about the top-secret resolution of the six Mart tycoons, or the report of the World Health Organization unanimously charging us with maliciously withholding hash from the minorities. It suffices to strike up a casual conversation with any passer-by abroad, in order to become convinced that it is a lost case.

"Egypt wants peace and you are striving for war," an intelligent, blonde and pro-Israel Danish journalist told me exactly a fortnight ago. "Why don't you talk to them, instead of shooting?"

"My dear lady," I answered her in all sincerity, "My hat is off to Soviet propaganda."

ESTABLISHED THEORY

They really deserve any amount of praise. They're marvellous. True, the theory was worked out for them by Dr. Goebbels, but they are great even on their own. They have absorbed the first principle of the experienced publicity man: that facts have only marginal value, that people remember only what comes blaring from the loudspeaker. It seems one can learn even foreign languages by this effective method. You put the loudspeaker under your pillow and leave on the tape-recorder all night. In the morning you get up and suddenly address your wife in fluent Italian.

"Quanto costa questo bello fazzoletto, signorina?"

Our friends in Moscow and their disciples around us have been broadcasting for four years now, one could say ever since the afternoon of June 11, 1967, relentlessly and unflinchingly, under every pillow in the world:

"Israel -- conquers -- territories -- Israel -- expands -- destroys -- bombs -- Nazi -- Israel -- over."

And mankind gets up in the morning and says quite absentmindedly while brushing its teeth:

"Israel aggressor. Aggressor Israel. Signorina."

CONDITIONED RESPONSE

This is a spontaneous reaction in all four corners of the world. "Tell me, sir, which is the first word which occurs to you: Revolution? Che Guevara! Dollar? Devaluation! Expansion? Israel! Thank you, sir, you have passed the test." In friendly Holland they brought out a law immediately after President Nasser closed the Tiran Straits, according to which a special tax would be deducted from every Dutch citizen's salary, earmarked for assistance to besieged Israel. Nowadays, if the very same Dutch citizen hears about Sharm e-Sheikh, he immediately reacts:

"Conquest -- Israel -- Israel -- Conquest. Israel -- Conqreal."

They don't remember anything else. Only the words they heard in the loudspeaker under their pillows. We are linked to aggression like Coca to Cola and TV to hitches. "Israel" alone no longer exists. Before long they'll change our name officially: "Jerusalem, Capital of Israeli aggression."

Yes, we are now paying for our amateurishness. For all these years we neglected the vital publicity profession. We sat complacently on the throne of righteousness, and permitted our adversaries to play by themselves down in the arena. While they called all those fleeing from here "refugees," we chose to call the Jewish refugees, "new immigrants". So the world is totally ignorant of the fact that we solved some sort of refugee problem here.

LET'S LEARN THE LESSON

We are terribly objective. We ourselves keep talking day and night about "occupied territories", and yet are surprised if we are tagged expansionists in Holland. Really, why must we talk about aggression and not about "the results of Egyptian aggression?" We needn't be ashamed of learning. In all these years we coined a single useful expression: "direct negotiations." And we dropped even that in a spirit of conciliation and in exchange for an Egyptian declaration that they would not leave a single square inch of land in our hands.

We are a bunch of simpletons.

When at long last are we going to rev up our own loudspeakers? So that "Egypt" should never be mentioned without embellishments, only gressor", or "Egypt, closer of international waterways", or "Revengist Egypt"; in every editorial, in every speech under every pillow on earth. A little public relations, for goodness sake, perhaps there is still room for counter-broadcasts! If not now, at once, than at least after the next war: "Perfidious Egypt, Violator of Treaties". Yes, that's a nice linking. Kindly remember it in due time.

AWARD WINNING SCULPTRESS EXHIBITS.—Mrs. Rae Katz-Platner, the well known Toronto sculptress is presently exhibiting at the Montreal Trust Company Building, 15 King Street West. Mrs. Katz-Platner, the wife of Toronto Yiddish writer Israel Platner, has won many awards for her sculptures of the Rt. Hon. Lester Pearson (shown above), John F. Kennedy, John Diefenbaker, and other famous personalities.

HOLIDAY AT HOME

by Ruthie

Last winter, when we moved into our new home, my husband remarked, "M-m-m, the back yard! A GENAYDEN! Next summer I won't budge from this place. Some vacation I'll have, right here at home!"

I agreed with him. Looking around my fresh, new home—new carpeting, new draperies, new tables, new lamps—I think I'd have agreed to anything. He was happy, I was happy, the children were happy. What more could one want?

That was, I reiterate, last winter. Now it is summer. Of course, I'm still happy. However, I find, every now and then, a bit of discontent cropping up.

To be perfectly frank, I'm lonesome.

Mrs. Cohen, my neighbor to the right, is vacationing in the Muskokas. She made sure to impress upon me how wonderful it feels to be served three meals a day, with nary a thing to do.

This morning I received a card from Mrs. Levy, neighbor to the left, who is touring Europe. It is a picture post card from Paris with, "Wish you were here."

Mrs. Shapiro, from across the road, is in Israel. She promised to look up some cousins. I always meet relatives by proxy.

I try to reason with myself thus. "Must I, too, ape the neighbors by having a vacation when they do? I take trips with my husband, at HIS time when HE can leave his business. Who says it must be during the summer?"

But, girls, it's no dice. My head says one thing, my feelings point another way. It's a great satisfaction to return home from a holiday in season and say, "I was there, or there, or there too." Otherwise some of the neighbors look at you pityingly and seem to say, "Poor thing. Bet she couldn't afford it this year."

My beloved, however, won't be swerved. He made up his mind and that's that.

"It's bad here? See the garden, the summer chairs, the picnic table!

"I have to pay a hundred dollars a week for a crummy room in a hotel and be annoyed five in the morning by the rattling milk cans? Or grab a chair in a cool spot before someone else gets it? MESHOOGA you have to be!"

"O.K.!" I flare back. "How do you think you get all this? By saying, 'Hocus-pocus'? Who waits on you, who anticipates your wishes, who prepares your refreshments? Me, me, me!"

Do you think for one moment, he becomes angry?

"Look. See the roses. Aren't they gorgeous? Notice the shade cast by the apple tree. Aren't the children having a wonderful time in the pool? A MEHAIYA! You miss anything? Even the mosquitos are here."

By now I'm relenting a little. I allow him to put his arm around me and coax me back to his word.

"Also", he adds, "right here is a wonderful spot to put up a SUKKAH!"

I stiffen. I'm going to serve him outside yet? I'll run in and out with dishes? There's not enough to do inside? Huh!

But then I relax. What can I do? I love the guy and he has me completely mesmerized. After all, he is a good husband. Let him have his little pleasures.

However, I won't give him the satisfaction of knowing I like it.

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QUESTION:

I am an attractive woman, "fortyish," who looks and acts younger. I've been seeing a man, 50, for over a year. Neither of us has ever been married.

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I am very energetic and like to go places. He can just sit around and watch TV. He is constantly tired. I like to look chic in clothes. He couldn't care less. I enjoy spending money for pleasures. He believes money should be spent only for practical things.

Two weeks before my birthday he mentioned the choice of an engagement ring or watch. I wanted the ring. Now he's changed his mind. He doesn't feel it's practical. Though I want an engagement ring, it's not the gift any more that bothers me, but his attitude. He wants to be accepted for the way he is. I feel we both have to bend a little.

Could this obsession with money be a major obstacle in marriage? Should I take what I can get rather then be alone?

ANSWER:

By those whom they choose in friendship or love, people tell a great deal about themselves. Sometimes, they seek an exact duplicate of their own characteristics. Or else, they may look in the other for strengths they feel they don't have, in order to feel more secure and protected. If they are still desired in spite of their weaknesses, they must be more desireable than they give themselves credit for.

Considering marriage to a man because your chances are becoming less, and because you don't want to be left alone, are certainly, as you well know, not good enough reasons for entering into such a relationship.

One would naturally question why the man who wants to marry you would decide an engagement ring is not practical. However, it sometimes happens in situations like this that the girl is given the engagement ring only after she becomes the wife. The man fears that all she wants is the engagement ring, and once she gets it will break off with him, but keep the ring.

Too, by acting younger than you are, you may make him seem older than his years. By his reactions he may be telling you to act your age, and stop being a demanding little girl who wants everything, without taking on responsibility for anything. As you perceive he wants to be accepted for what he is, not for what he has. You see his seeming inability to give as an obsession with money. But he may well see in your demands as to how money should be used an obsession with spending.

You are right that both of you have to bend and give in a little. It could well be that once each of you have attained the security of marriage he will be more giving and less demanding.

Another fact that may be holding him back from giving is the feeling you gave him at the beginning that he is not your type, and that he is your inferior. Since you still criticize and find fault with him, he feels it is his money and not him that you want.

The best way to clear up any doubts or hesitations you have is to communicate with him directly and tell him what bothers you about his behavior. Then listen to his feelings and reactions to your behavior. If you can talk these things out and continue to see each other then a good marriage may be in store for you.

TORONTO WOMEN'S NEWS

BETH JACOB WOMEN'S LEAGUE

The closing luncheon of the Beth Jacob Women's League was held on Tuesday, June 12, in honor of Mrs. Mordecahi Nussbaum, our dedicated president for ten years. The "Rooftop Rendezvous" was held on the terrace of the penthouse of Dr. and Mrs. J. Kuhl.

Chairman of the luncheon was Mrs. Anne Botnick. Convenor of the luncheon was Mrs. H. Mandelbaum, who, with the help of her able committee (Magda Zimmerman, Kitsi Hofstedter, Mrs. M. Perlman, Mrs. M. Kaplan, Mrs. E. Rosenblum, Mrs. H. Zolty) made the luncheon a memorable one.

The program was looked after by Mrs. K. Rothschild and Mrs. A. Glucowski.

Susie Werner, the treasurer, and Beatrice Moskowitz, the Goodwill Chairman gave year end reports.

Winners of the Club of 200 were: Mrs. S. Nussbaum, Mrs. Lazar, Mrs. J. Korman, Mrs. S. Sternheim, Mrs. D. D'Ancona.

NEGEV CHAPTER OF HADASSAH

Negev Chapter of Hadassah closing luncheon was held at the Sutton Place Hotel on Sunday, June 13th. Head table guests included Mrs. I. Beckerman, President of Hadassah-Wizo and Mrs. P. Dolgoff who installed the newly-elected officers:

Miss Dora Soboloff, President; Mrs. Jessie Mann, Vicepresident; Miss Rose Rubenstein, Recording Secretary; Miss Dora Cohen, Corresponding Secretary, Miss Kate Perlmutter, Treasurer.

Miss Beatrice Halpern was honored with a Youth Aliyah Scholarship certificate in recognition of continuous effort on behalf of annual Youth Aliyah Tea.

SOVIET FILM SMUGGLED

Haifa, (JCNS). - A script smuggled out of the Soviet Union by a Jewish film producer is to be filmed in Israel. It will deal factually with a number of cases of suppression of the rights of the individual in the USSR and will tell the stories of non-Jews as well as Jews harassed by the Soviet authorities.

The producer, Ephraim Sekalia, first took the script to the Cannes film festival, where it attracted the interest of a number of influential people.

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Recipe for the week

HOT CHOCOLATE SAUCE

This has a slightly bitter-chocolate flavor. It makes an ideal accompaniment for "Poires Belle Helene" and, if parev ice cream is used, ideal for a dessert after a meat buffet.

INGREDIENTS

1/2 lb. plain dessert chocolate
6 oz. hot coffee (6 fl. oz. water and 2 level teaspoons instant coffee)
good nut of butter (or margarine after a meat meal)
1-2 oz. caster sugar, depending on how sweet you like it
2 teaspoons rum or brandy

METHOD

Put the coffee in a small pan. Cut up the chocolate, then melt in the coffee over gentle heat, stirring constantly until melted. Remove from the heat and stir in the spirit and the butter or margarine. Serve warm. Store in an airtight container in the bottom of the refrigerator.

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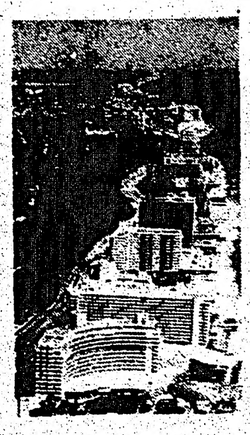

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Ben Milner reports:

MONTREAL CONGREGATION 'ADOPTS' JERUSALEM SYNAGOGUE

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NEW INITIATIVE FOR CLOSER ISRAELI-DIASPORA TIES

Ben Milner, prominent Montreal Zionist leader recently returned from a trip to Israel which he visited for the specific purpose of creating close ties between a Jerusalem synagogue and a Montreal congregation of which he is president.

Mr. Milner, who has been a close associate of Moshe Dayan and Menachem Begin, in an interview made some interesting observations on Israel. Here are the highlights of the interview:

QUESTION: You recently made a trip to Israel. What was your mission?

ANSWER: My trip was involved with a pioneering undertaking: a mission which I was glad to fulfil. Having visited Israel many times in the past, it has been my impression that Israeli synagogues could play a major part in attracting tourists to the Holy Land.

The spiritual leader of my congregation Beth Hamedrash Hagadel Tifereth Israel, Rabbi Lester Rosner, recently returned from Israel with an idea to build a bridge between synagogues in the Diaspora and those in the Jewish State. Our Executive and members met and decided to adopt a synagogue in Israel, and it was to this end that we went there, and discussed our plan with the Talpiot Synagogue in Israel.

A group of fifty one Montrealers departed for Israel. We took with us a Sefer Torah as a gift to the synagogue we were to "adopt". Upon arrival in Israel, we were met with much enthusiasm and we all went to Hechal Shlomo, where many more members of our Sister Synagogue were waiting to greet us.

The group was addressed by Chief Rabbi I. Y. Unterman; Z. Warhaftig, Minister of Religions; our own Rabbi Lester Rosner, and myself as president of our Montreal synagogue.

Together with Dr. L. Rabinowitz, former Chief Rabbi of South Africa, I had the privilege of visiting the Western Wall and an ancient synagogue in the Old City of Jerusalem. This was the only synagogue which miraculously survived the long absence of the Jews from the Old City (from 1949 until 1967).

All its prayer books and religious ornaments were still in good order. It had been locked up in 1939 by an Arab who was living nearby and he brought the keys to the son of the late rabbi of the synagogue, in 1967.

One evening, we all met at the Beth Hamedrash in Talpiot where Nobel Prize novelist S. Y. Agnon used to pray. It was a memorable occasion for all of us.

The main synagogue in Talpiot is in the process of construction and will carry the name: "Beth Hamedrash Hagadol Tifereth Israel of Montreal and S.Y. Agnon."

QUESTION: Do you feel you achieved the purpose of your mission?

ANSWER: I believe this bridge will create a closer relationship between the Diaspora and Israel. The vast majority of Jews who visit Israel as tourists have few contacts there and are left to guided tours and chance meetings. The government of Israel and its department of tourism can hardly be expected to do more than they are already doing. However, closer relations between Israel and the Diaspora can be created through our adoption of synagogues in Israel. To be able to visit a synagogue in Israel which would be "our own shul", would make for a feeling of being completely at home, with the prospect of being invited to meet many members of our new family on a personal basis. A number of synagogues in Montreal are following this pattern of adopting a sister synagogue in Israel and the Union of Orthodox Synagogues is working out an entire program in this direction.

QUESTION: What impression did you form of the Israeli attitude toward the military situation?

ANSWER: Since I spent Yom Ha'atzmaut in Israel, I had the pleasure of visiting Army units and I feel as confident as they that Israel's armed forces can protect the country and bring about permanent peace.

My wife and I also attended a Yom Ha'atzmaut party for Army officers in the presence of Prime Minister Golda Meir. Jews throughout the world can be proud of these defenders of Israel who exude an easy self-confidence in their ability to defend the country against any attack.

I left Israel more convinced than ever that its people can build a united and strong nation that will overcome all its problems and be able to live in peace and dignity with its neighbors.

From left to right: Israeli Minister of Religion, Zerah Wahrhaftig; Chief Rabbi I.Y. Unterman; Ben Milner.

Jack Taylor was honored on June 16th at the 1971 Negev Dinner in Hamilton in recognition of his outstanding contribution in leadership and devoted service over many years on behalf of numerous causes supporting Israel and his community. Proceeds from the Negev Dinner will be applied by the Jewish National Fund toward the establishment of a major tract of land in the Negev Desert of Israel which will carry the name of the Honoree in perpetuity.

Shown above are some of the prominent personalities who graced the head table (left to right): Murray Rothberg, Ontario J.N.F. President; Morris S. Palkin, Dinner Chairman; Honoree Jack Taylor and his wife Florence; Lincoln M. Alexander, Q.C., Member of Parliament for Hamilton West, who delivered the keynote address; Sidney Pollack, Hamilton J.N.F. President; Norman Levitt, Hamilton J.N.F. Board Chairman.

BULLETINS

ARCHBISHOP'S PLEA TO CHRISTIANS IN RUSSIA

London, (JCNS). - Cardinal Heenan, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, has appealed to his fellow Christians in Russia "to bring solace to the suffering Jews there".

Addressing the annual meeting of the Council of Christians and Jews, the cardinal declared: "We take every opportunity of using what influence we have, but often this can only be done quietly and without publicity".

The Council, he said, was primarily an organization of protest against racial and religious persecution. "But we must be most careful not to allow it to be used for political ends.

"If we are good Jews or Christians, we will never remain silent while our fellow men are being persecuted".

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Ramsay, said that all of them supported what Cardinal Heenan had said regarding Soviet Jewry. They all felt for the Jews of Russia and had to speak out both publicly and privately.

Chief Rabbi Jakobovits paid tribute to both archbishops and to others for their help in bringing about the commutation of death sentences on Jews in Russia.

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ISRAEL BUILDS FLOATING DOCK FOR GREEK SHIPYARDS

Athens, (JCNS). - A 65,000 ton floating dock built in Israel for the Greek Eleusis Shipyards has been delivered and is expected to be in use in August when cranes and other equipment will have been fitted.

The dock is 745 feet long with a 105-feet wide entrance and has a lifting capacity of 20,000 tons.

The dock was ordered for the Eleusis yards by Professor Stratis Andreadis, the Greek banker and shipowner, and maritime circles in Piraeus have expressed deep admiration for Israel's achievements in naval construction.

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JOURNALISTS INSPECT CANAL'S BARBED-WIRE FENCES

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Correspondents were allowed this week one of their rare glimpses of the barbed-wire fences and fortified bunkers which provide Israel's first line of defense against an Egyptian attempt to cross the Suez Canal.

The preparedness of the Israeli lines has long been known. What struck observers was the more business-like look of the Egyptian lines where the troops are well dug-in and work continues increasingly on new fortifications.

Here and there, Egyptian soldiers could be seen emerging from their bunkers for a wash or to do some fishing. They are still given to throwing grenades into the Canal to kill fish, but only after their inspecting officers have withdrawn for the day.

THE EMBARGO

THE MAKING OF MIDDLE EAST POLICY

by Michael Stewart

(Mr. Stewart held the post of Foreign Secretary in the Labor Government of Harold Wilson)

It is a truism that, for any British Government, a "just and lasting peace" in the Middle East is a major British interest. A country which relies as heavily as we do on world-wide trade, and is not in a position to impose a world-wide Pax Britannica, has a massive interest in the preservation of peace and the assertion of the rule of law in international affairs.

Whatever attractions fishing in troubled waters in the Middle East may have for some Powers, it can never be to Britain's advantage.

It is equally true that it is in Britain's interest that an essential element in such a peace must be the continued and secure existence of the State of Israel. When we remember the part which Britain has played, from the Balfour Declaration onwards, in the history of Israel, it is plain that the destruction of Israel would be a clear indication that Britain's influence in the world was negligible and that her wishes could be ignored with impunity. Moreover, Israel has been recognized beyond doubt as a State by the United Nations; her destruction would be a signal that the international rule of law, so vital to Britain, was everywhere in danger.

For a British Labor Government there is a further consideration. Democratic Socialists believe that the establishment in the world of forms of government which unite political liberty with economic and social justice is not only desirable in itself, but a help to the maintenance of world peace. There are, unfortunately, few countries which have such a form of government, but in that short list Israel ranks high.

Why, then, has British policy, whether under Conservative or Labor Governments, not always been agreeable to the Government of Israel? Is it because Britain has great economic interests in the Arab countries and because those countries could if they wished, and if they were more moved by indignation than by a consideration for their own economic interests, inflict considerable injury on sterling and, through oil supplies, on Britain's economy?

It is true that any British Government must keep this unpleasant fact in mind and that Britain cannot be expected to bring this kind of injury upon herself unless she is fully satisfied that it is necessary to do so in order not to put the security of Israel at risk. A friend who is so quixotic as to weaken himself unnecessarily is not, in the last resort as useful as a friend who exercises prudence as well as goodwill.

Further, a British Government has to take into account the fact that Arab hostility to Israel is not motivated solely (as must sometimes appear to Israel) by hatred and ill-will. There is a fear—often exaggerated for propaganda purposes, but with a core of sincerity—that Israel will prove to be an expansionist power without respect for her neighbors' rights or territory.

I believe this fear, however sincerely felt it may be, to be groundless, and I often expressed this view to Arab countries when I was in office. But it is important that both Israel and her friends should refrain from actions which are not necessary to Israel's security but which can give credence to this fear. In Labor eyes, one of the evils of the Suez adventure in 1956 was that it did just this.

More recently, Israel's decision to hold a victory parade in East Jerusalem, and her reluctance to say that she not only "accepted" but would "implement" the Security Council resolution of 1967, were, in my judgement, open to the same criticism. Whether I should have taken the same view if I had been an Israeli, and had just been saved from destruction by the valour and skill of my countrymen, I do not know: but I believe that these actions, however understandable, were unwise.

The latter, in particular, was not the mere exercise in semantics which it was sometimes said to be; I believe that a willingness, in 1968 to go a bit further on this point might well have given a different and more hopeful turn to events.

It has also to be remembered that Israel's friends are less likely to be useful to her if they appear as 100 percent partisans. In the long run, Israel's future depends on her being accepted as a Middle East State, having an interest in common with her neighbors in the welfare of the region, and not regarded as a protégé of the West.

In general and in the long run, this principle is well understood by Israel; but judgement as to how the principle should be applied to day-to-day decisions were not always the same in London, Washington and Jerusalem. There were, for example, differences about certain votes at the United Nations, and on British policy concerning the sale of arms.

On these matters Israel and the British Labor Government were sometimes at variance; but we never took, nor would we have taken, any decision that put Israel in real peril.

Immediately after the Six-Day War, Britain decided not to sell arms to either side; it was when it became apparent that others would not follow this lead and that the policy would work in practice to Israel's disadvantage, that we decided to change it.

The person or nation who tries to take a balanced view is always in danger of being criticized by both sides; but in fact the British Government continued to enjoy sufficient confidence all round to be able to bring into existence the Security Council Resolution of November 1967.

Israel had misgivings about this resolution; but she will have welcomed the British insistence that the resolution must be interpreted as a whole, and that the principle of "withdrawal" could not be taken in isolation or separated from the reference to "secure and recognised boundaries".

Progress since the resolution has been disappointing but I doubt if anyone sees any basis, other than the resolution, on which peace can be built. The aim of British policy was—and I trust still is—to turn the resolution into reality by getting agreement between the parties, whether through direct or indirect discussions, on the steps needed to implement it. Any initiative by one, two or four Powers must be judged by whether it helps to this end.

PLEA TO BLACK PANTHERS

Jerusalem, (JCNS). - Major Grisha Feigin, the former Red Army officer who now lives in Israel, has addressed an open letter to the Black Panthers urging them to regard Soviet Jews as brothers in trouble, who seek only to find their freedom in Israel, and who have no wish for special privileges denied to Israel's poorer communities.

Claiming that some of the Panthers refused to accept Russian Jews as their brothers, Major Feigin recalled that during the height of the Iraqi persecution of its Jews, a host of telegrams and letters was addressed by Soviet Jews to the Iraqi Embassy in Moscow and to the Russian authorities demanding that the oppression be stopped.

So great was the anger of Soviet Jewry, that the Moscow police were forced to throw a protective cordon around the Iraqi Embassy to prevent Jews attacking Iraqi diplomats.

FROM SLAVERY TO FREEDOM

There had been similar Jewish demonstrations, said Major Feigin, when, in the Six-Day War, the synagogue in Tunis was set on fire and Jews were attacked in the streets.

And now, when Soviet Jews have come to Israel, after a long struggle to be free of "the Soviet prisons", they intend to live together with the brothers from whom they had been separated for thousands of years. With them they have a common past, a common present and a common future in facing up to all problems which pressed upon the Jewish State, Major Feigin said.

CAMP AGUDAH

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